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TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS R.), GR

SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT TO ATHENS: ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE STATEMENTS

REF: ATHENS 513

1. DEPARTMENT HAS REVIEWED DRAFT ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE STATEMENTS SUGGESTED REFTEL AND FOLLOWING ARE DEPARTMENT SUGGESTED REDRAFTS:

2. SUGGESTED ARRIVAL STATEMENT:

BEGIN TEXT: IT IS ALWAYS A PLEASURE TO BE IN ATHENS AND TO
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EXTEND THE WARMEST GREETINGS OF THE PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES TO THE PRESIDENT, PRIME MINISTER AND PEOPLE OF GREECE. GREECE AND THE UNITED STATES ARE ALLIES UNITED BY COMMON VALUES, BY SHARED EXPERIENCES AND BY TIES OF FAMILY. BUT IT IS A SPECIAL SATISFACTION FOR ME TO RETURN HERE WHEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES ONCE AGAIN HAVE IN COMMON THE INSTITUTIONS AND THE LIBERTIES OF DEMOCRACY.

IT HAS NOW BEEN ONE YEAR SINCE PRESIDENT CARTER TOOK
OFFICE. IN THAT YEAR WE HAVE WORKED TO BUILD A MORE
STABLE, MORE PEACEFUL AND MORE COOPERATIVE WORLD. CONSUL-

TATION AND COOPERATION WITH OUR FRIENDS AND ALLIES HAVE
BEEN AT THE VERY HEART OF OUR EFFORTS. THUS, DURING MY
VISIT HERE I LOOK FORWARD TO EXCHANGING VIEWS WITH
GREECE'S LEADERS AND TO ENHANCING OUR MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING
ON A WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES OF COMMON CONCERN TO BOTH OUR
COUNTRIES.

THANK YOU. END TEXT.

3. SUGGESTED DEPARTURE STATEMENT:

BEGIN TEXT: I WANT TO EXTEND MY GRATITUDE TO PRIME
MINISTER CARAMANLIS AND HIS ASSOCIATES FOR THE COURTESY
AND HOSPITALITY THEY HAVE SHOWN TO MRS. VANCE AND ME AND
TO MY PARTY DURING OUR STAY IN ATHENS.

THIS VISIT HAS ALLOWED ME TO EXPLORE WITH GREEK LEADERS
MANY ISSUES OF CONCERN TO OUR TWO NATIONS. WE HAVE
STRENGTHENED AND BROADENED THE MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN OUR GOVERNMENTS. I AM PLEASED TO HAVE HAD THIS
OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW OLD FRIENDSHIPS AND ACQUAINTANCES AND
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TO REAFFIRM THE SOLID FOUNDATION OF GREEK-AMERICAN FRIEND-
SHIP. END TEXT. CHRISTOPHER

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